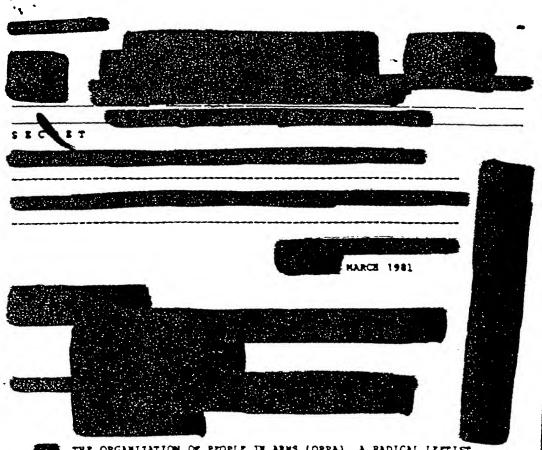
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THE ORGANIZATION OF PEOPLE IN ARMS (ORPA), A RADICAL LEFTIST GUATEMALAN GROUP, CONTINUES TO HOLD CLIFFORD B E V E N 8, A U.S. CITIZEN KIDNAPPED BT ORPA IN DECEMBER 1980 IN GUATEMALA CITY. A LEADER OF THE GUATEMALAN MATICHAL REVOLUTIONARY UNION (URN), WRICE COMPRISES THE POUR NAJOR RADICAL LEFTIST GUATEMALAN GROUPS, SAID TEAT ORPA PLANS TO BE VERY PATIENT IN CONNECTION WITH THE KIDNAPPING OF BEVERS, WHO IS THE GENERAL MANAGER OF A SUBSIDIARY OF THE GOODIEAR TIRE AND RUSSER COMPANY IN GUATEMALA. HE SAID TEAT ORPA LEADERS BELIEVE TEAT THEY HAY HAVE TO HOLD BEVERS FOR AN EXTENDED PERIOD BEFORE THEIR DEMAND FOR

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RANSOH OF U.S.\$10 HILLION IS NET. (COMMENT: A U.S.\$POUR HILLION RANSOH DEMANDED BY ORPA FOR THE RELEASE OF BLANCA ESTELA H O L I M A, SISTER OF A PROMINENT GUATEMALAN INDUSTRIALIST, HAY HAVE BEEN RECEIVED IN THAT HOLINA REPORTEDLY WAS RELEASED DURING THE LAST WEEK OF FEBRUARY 1981. IF SO, ORPA IS UNDER NO PRESSURE TO SETTLE FOR LESS THAN THE RANSOH DEMANDED FOR BEVENS.)

THE URN LEADER SAID TEAT THE GUERRILLA ARMY OF THE POOR

(EGP), A RADICAL LEFTIST GUATEMALAN GROUP ALSO PART OF THE URN,

CONTINUES TO HOLD AUSTRALIAN BUSINESSMAN, LEON DON R I C H A R D S O H,

WHO WAS KIDNAPPED IN MID-FEBRUARY 1981, SOON AFTER HE ARRIVED IN

GUATEMALA. COMMENT: THERE IS NO FURTHER INFORMATION AVAILABLE

CONCERNING THE EGP PLANS OR THE TERMS, IF ANY, FOR RICHARDSON'S

RELEASE.)



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